

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

GRADE 9

COMPONENT	OBJECTIVES	COMPETENCY
I Basic Operations and Concepts	 Demonstrate an understanding of concepts underlying hardware, software, and connectivity by using: appropriate technology for each subject area; a variety of input devices; output devices appropriately; storage devices appropriately; files from a variety of sources; and a variety of software programs. Apply strategies for identifying and solving routine hardware and software problems that occur during every day use. 	 A. Given a specific assignment, use appropriate technology to complete the task. Such as: perform basic operations with real numbers using a calculator and manipulatives, and apply scientific investigative skills to design and carry out experiments using computers, probes, and other technology tools.
II Technology Tools	 Use technology tools and resources for managing and communicating personal/professional information, by using: a word processing program to perform basic text formatting; implementing user preferred settings; a desktop publishing program; and a spreadsheet program to manage finances and purchases. Select and apply technology tools for research, information analysis, problem solving, and decision making in content learning. Such as: use a database file to sort, search, and produce a report; create spreadsheets and generate appropriate graphs; and use a variety of applications to integrate and manipulate an illustration. Apply productivity/multimedia tools and peripherals to support personal productivity, group collaboration, and learning throughout the curriculum. 	 A. Use appropriate application software to prepare a research document that includes illustrations, statistical reports, and charts/ graphs to study a real world application. Such as: create a business, including a financial plan, budget, and cash flow projections. B. Use appropriate software to create a document that includes text and graphics. Such as: a trifold brochure; a newsletter; and/or a booklet. C. Use appropriate multimedia software to create and present a research project on a topic of the student's choice.



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III Technology Communication Tools	 Routinely and efficiently use online information resources to meet needs for collaboration, research, publications, communications, and productivity. Such as: send and receive individual and/or group email messages; initiate a search; retrieve, download, compile, and summarize information on a specific topic from the Internet; and use a variety of online and offline resources to locate information. 	 A. Through the Internet present a problem to students in several geographical locations, then share the proposed solutions electronically. B. Use online and offline resources as a research tool to gather information to compare and contrast cooking techniques and recipes in various regions of the United States or the world.
IV Social, Ethical, and Human Issues	 Identify capabilities and limitations of contemporary and emerging technology resources, then assess the potential of these systems and services to address personal, life-long learning and workplace needs. Include: explore various online Acceptable Use Policies; adhere to the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' Acceptable Use Policy; and adhere to all copyright laws as they pertain to software use. 	 A. Students will conduct an online search for Acceptable Use Policies of the various websites. B. Students will conduct an online search for information pertaining to the copyright laws of the United States. C. Students will participate in a discussion about the economics of buying or selling software. Include: procedures for selling software for profit; the act of piracy as an illegal use of software; the consequences for illegal uses of software; read, discuss, and practice the tenets of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' Acceptable Use Policy.